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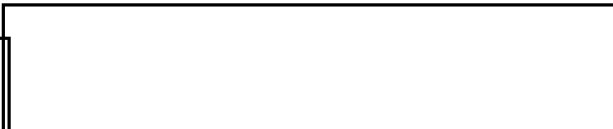
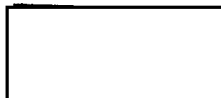
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: OSA Review of the DNRO Report to PFIAB

1. OSA has reviewed Dr. McMillan's latest semiannual report to the PFIAB and would make the following comments concerning the general headings therein:

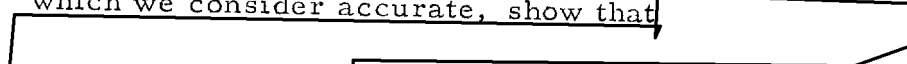
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b. BLUE SPRINGS - We note the following discrepancies in what Dr. McMillan had reported: OSA's records, which we consider accurate, show that

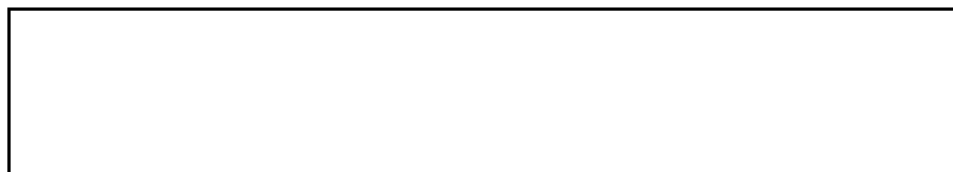


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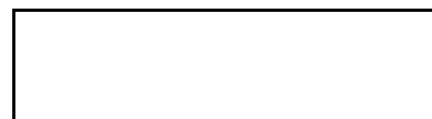
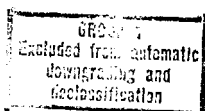
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of these missions covered USIB targets. were lost due to enemy action. Dr. McMillan makes no mention of the most significant technical problem which has affected this program, namely, guidance system difficulties.

c. OXCART - The report states we will have a Mach 3.05 capability by the end of the year and a Mach 3.2 a few months thereafter. Actually, under the BLACK SHIELD concept on which Dr. McMillan has been briefed, we achieve the 3.05 capability on 1 September and 3.2 before the end of the year.

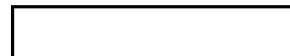
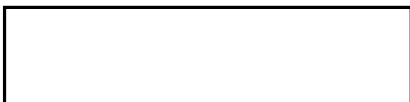


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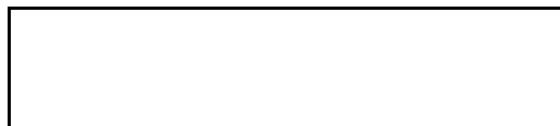
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e. SR-71 - Having read Dr. McMillan's comment concerning OXCART air inlet problems and then reading the comments about the SR-71, one might conclude that in the latter program they are not having similar or additional problems. In fact, they are.

2. By way of general statement, it is clearly evident upon reading the commentary relating to USAF conducted activities, it is at the very least enthusiastic, whereas those for which we are responsible are described in rather "flat" terms.



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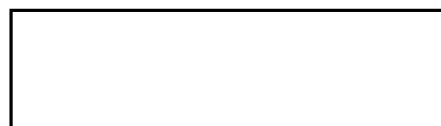
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